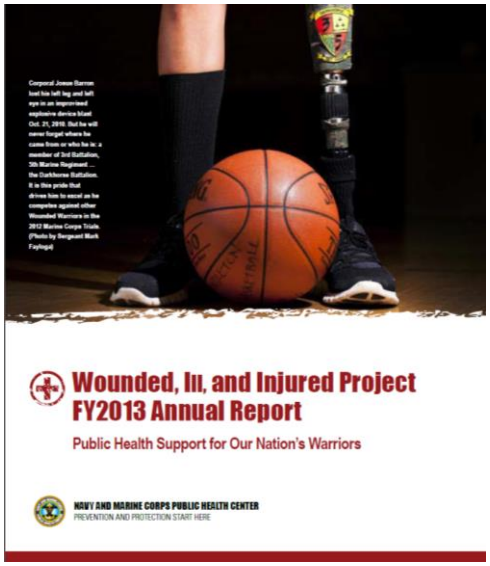
# NMCPHC QUICK HITS

## Wounded, Ill, and Injured Program




November marks Warrior Care Month, a time to recognize wounded warriors – and those who care for them – for their service, sacrifices and achievements. The Navy and Marine Corps Public Health Center (NMCPHC) provides worldwide Force Health Protection services to ensure readiness and resilience of Sailors and Marines wherever they might be – from the deck of an amphibious assault ship, in the sands of Afghanistan or the barracks at Camp Pendleton. NMCPHC protects the force through occupational and environmental medicine, disease surveillance and monitoring, health promotion education and training, and prevention programs. NMCPHC uniquely refines and tailors programs and services to support specific Navy Medicine initiatives through the NMCPHC Wounded, Ill, and Injured (WII) Program.

The WII Health Promotion and Wellness (HPW) Project adapted and expanded traditional HPW programs and Health Promotion management training curricula to meet the unique needs of those recovering from a wound, illness, or injury. An organizational analysis and scan and rapid literature review was also conducted to identify gaps in WII resources. Subsequently a newly remodeled WII Website was developed with extensive growth of newly created evidence-based materials, resources, and tools.

Four complementary projects provide analytical and preventive expertise in support of the WII Program: **WII 141 Project: Expanded Surveillance and Metrics Support, WII 141A Project: Health Promotion and Wellness, WII 141B Project: Health Hazard Assessment, and the WII 141C Project: Navy Entomology Center of Excellence (NECE).** The NMCPHC WII Program supports Force Health Protection, a unified strategy that provides integrated preventive and clinical programs designed to protect service members by advancing three interrelated pillars: Healthy and Fit Force, Protection and Prevention, and Medical and Rehabilitative Care.

**NMCPHC WII Program Accomplishments**

- Developed performance metrics to evaluate WII project effectiveness throughout Navy Medicine
- Served as subject matter experts and delivered detailed clinical analysis for suicide case reviews and prevention initiatives
- Expanded the Navy's Periodic Occupational and Environmental Monitoring Summary Program to include five new summaries that quantify the health risks associated with environmental stressors and exposures
- Certified 197 deployable scientists and technicians to conduct health hazard assessments
- Earned an endorsement for NECE to be designated as a World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Centre by the Scientist in Charge at the WHO Pesticide Evaluation Scheme

For more information about how NMCPHC supports operational readiness and Force Health Protection, read our WII Project Fiscal Year 2013 Annual Report.